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Agenda Item: __I.D.1.__

DATE:July 14, 2005

SUBJECT: Temporary Authorization of New Institutions under the

Postsecondary Authorization Act

ACTION RECOMMENDED: Temporary Authorization

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Commission, under the Postsecondary Authorization Act, has the "power and duty" to act upon applications for authorization to operate an educational institution in the state. For the institutions listed below, applications have been reviewed, site visits have been performed, and all necessary documentation and bonds have been secured. The Committee on Postsecondary Educational Institutions met on June 23, 2005 and endorsed staff recommendations for Temporary Authorization of the following institutions:

A. American Technologies Center for Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Training Oak Ridge TN

American Technologies Center for Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Training is located at 142 Fairbanks Road in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. The institution is a for-profit organization. Courses will be available at their authorized Oak Ridge, Tennessee site.

The institution will offer two programs.

Program: Unexploded Ordnance Technician Level I

Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 280 contact hours (7 weeks)

Program: Unexploded Ordnance Technician Level I

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Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 240 contact hours (6 weeks)

The institution does not participate in Title IV funding.

B. Brown Mackie College

Hopkinsville KY

Brown Mackie College is located at 4001 Fort Campbell Boulevard in Hopkinsville, Kentucky. The institution is a for-profit corporation accredited by the Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools (ACICS). The institution is recruitment only and all classes will be available at their Hopkinsville, Kentucky site.

The institution will offer thirteen programs.

Program: Accounting Technology

Credential Awarded: Associate of Applied Business

Length of Program: 96 quarter credit hours (24 months)

Program: Business Management

Credential Awarded: Associate of Applied Business

Length of Program: 96 quarter credit hours (24 months)

Program: Computer Programming and Applications

Credential Awarded: Associate of Applied Business

Length of Program: 96 quarter credit hours (24 months)

Program: Computer Software Technology Credential Awarded: Associate of Applied Business

Length of Program: 96 quarter credit hours (24 months)

Program: Criminal Justice

Credential Awarded: Associate of Applied Business

Length of Program: 96 quarter credit hours (24 months)

Program: Paralegal Services

Credential Awarded: Associate of Applied Business

Length of Program: 96 quarter credit hours (24 months)

Program: Medical Assisting

Credential Awarded: Associate of Applied Business

Length of Program: 96 quarter credit hours (24 months)

Program: Accounting Credential Awarded: Diploma

Length of Program: 48 quarter credit hours (12 months)

Program: Business Credential Awarded: Diploma

Length of Program: 48 quarter credit hours (12 months)

Program: Computer Software Applications

Credential Awarded: Diploma

Length of Program: 48 quarter credit hours (12 months)

Program: Criminal Justice

Credential Awarded: Diploma

Length of Program: 48 quarter credit hours (12 months)

Program: Medical Assisting

Credential Awarded: Diploma

Length of Program: 48 quarter credit hours (12 months)

Program: Paralegal

Credential Awarded: Associate of Applied Business

Length of Program: 96 quarter credit hours (24 months)

The institution participates in Title IV funding.

C. Central Michigan University

Cordova TN

Central Michigan University – Cordova is located at 7260 Goodlet Farms Parkway in Cordova, Tennessee. The institution is a public university accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA).

The institution will offer four programs.

Program: General Administration

Credential Awarded: Master of Science

Length of Program: 36 semester credit hours (30 months)

Program: Health Services Administration

Credential Awarded: Master of Science

Length of Program: 36 semester credit hours (30 months)

Program: Human Resources Administration

Credential Awarded: Master of Science

Length of Program: 36 semester credit hours (30 months)

Program: Information Resource Management

Credential Awarded: Master of Science

Length of Program: 36 semester credit hours (30 months)

The institution participates in Title IV funding.

D. Harvest Institute for Biblical Studies

Knoxville TN

Harvest Institute of Biblical Studies is located at 4615 Asheville Highway in Knoxville, Tennessee. The school is a not-for-profit corporation.

Change of Ownership:

The institution was sold on July 1, 2004 to Southern California Seminary.

The institution will offer four programs.

Program: Biblical Studies

Credential Awarded: Master of Biblical Studies
Length of Program: 528 contact hours (24 months)

Program: Religious Studies

Credential Awarded: Master of Religious Studies
Length of Program: 240 contact hours (12 months)

Program: Biblical Studies

Credential Awarded: Bachelor of Biblical Studies
Length of Program: 1032 contact hours (48 months)

Program: Biblical Studies

Credential Awarded: Associate of Biblical Studies
Length of Program: 480 contact hours (24 months)

The institution does not participate in Title IV funding.

E. Southern California Seminary

El Cajon CA

Southern California Seminary is located at 2075 East Madison Avenue in El Cajon, California. The institution is a not-for-profit corporation accredited by the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS). The institution is recruitment only and all classes will be available at their El Cajon, California site.

The institution will offer four programs.

Program: Biblical Studies

Credential Awarded: Master of Biblical Studies (MBS)
Length of Program: 900 contact hours (24 months)

Program: Biblical Studies

Credential Awarded: Master of Religious Studies (MRS) Length of Program: 450 contact hours (12 months)

Program: Biblical Studies

Credential Awarded: Bachelor of Biblical Studies
Length of Program: 1935 contact hours (48 months)

Program: Biblical Studies

Credential Awarded: Associate of Biblical Studies
Length of Program: 990 contact hours (24 months)

The institution participates in Title IV funding.

F. Truck Driver Institute Inc.

Tupelo MS

Truck Driver Institute is located at 341 Franklin Street in Tupelo, Mississippi. The institution is a limited liability corporation. This is a recruitment only institution and courses will be available at their authorized Tupelo, Mississippi site.

The institution will offer one program.

Program: Custom Motor Carrier Driver Training

Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 154 contact hours (3 weeks)

The institution does not participate in Title IV funding.

G. Virginia College -Technical (VC Tech)

Birmingham AL

Virginia College - Technical is located at 7042 Meadowlark Drive in Birmingham, Alabama. The institution is a for-profit corporation accredited by the Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools (ACICS). The institution is recruitment only and all classes will be available at their Birmingham, Alabama site.

The institution will offer four programs.

Program: Automotive/Light Diesel Technology with Industry

Management

Credential Awarded: Occupational Associate

Length of Program: 107 quarter credit hours (12 months)

Program: Automotive/Light Diesel Technology

Credential Awarded: Diploma

Length of Program: 76 quarter credit hours (18 months)

Program: Automotive/Light Diesel with Hot Rod & Custom

Motorcycle Chassis Fabrication Technologies

Credential Awarded: Diploma

Length of Program: 98 quarter credit hours (12 months)

Program: Automotive/Light Diesel with Hot Rod & Custom

Motorcycle Body Fabrication Technologies

Credential Awarded: Diploma

Length of Program: 98 quarter credit hours (12 months)

The institution participates in Title IV funding.